

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 414

By Stewart

A RESOLUTION to recognize George Wagner on the occasion of his retirement.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that the members of this legislative body should honor those citizens who have performed with uncommon devotion and enthusiasm throughout their years of service; and

WHEREAS, George Wagner, longtime Mayor of the City of Dunlap, is one such estimable person who has served the good people of Dunlap with distinction and aplomb; and

WHEREAS, a proud resident of Dunlap for most of his life, Mayor Wagner will be taking a much deserved retirement this month after serving in two elected positions for a total of twenty-eight years; and

WHEREAS, after serving a term as the City Commissioner and Recorder from May of 1969 until May of 1971, George Wagner was elected to the position of City Mayor, serving from 1971 until 1981 and again from 1993 until his retirement; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to awards and accolades, Mayor Wagner was recognized in *Who's Who Among American Executives and Professionals* and *Who's Who in Executive Business*, was recognized by the University of Tennessee Municipal Technical Advisory Service, and was applauded by the Southeast Tennessee Development District Board of Directors in honor of his role as the longest serving board member; and

WHEREAS, he is an active and devout member of the Dunlap First Baptist Church, which he has served for a number of years; and

WHEREAS, he is also devoted to the highest ideals of family values and is especially proud of the love and support he shares with his wife, Joyce Simmons Wager; his children and step-children, Dr. Barry Wagner, Debbie Wagner, Dr. Jimmy Wagner, Diane Wagner Beavers,

Joey Simmons, and Renee Simmons Soldwedel; and his grandchildren, Lyndsay Frankenberg, Seth Wagner, Jadryen Anderson, Jillyen Layne, Jody Agee, Jaryn Wagner, Jordan Wagner, Kaitlin Gaston, Ethan Gaston, Benjamin Gaston, and Jennifer Land; and

WHEREAS, George Wagner exemplifies the spirit and allegiance to family and community that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, throughout his estimable career, Mayor Wagner has demonstrated the utmost professionalism, ability, and integrity, winning the unbridled respect and admiration of his fellow citizens; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we extend to George Wagner our heartfelt wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement and every continued success in his future endeavors and applaud his extraordinary record of service to the City of Dunlap.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.